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(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Albert A. VIERHEILIG et al.

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For: ATTRITION RESISTANT, ZINC TITANATE-

CONTAINING, REDUCED SULFUR SORBENTS AND METHODS OF USE

THEREOF

Examiner: A. E. Hertzog

PETITION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM FOR PRIORITY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(A)(2) OR (A)(5)

MS Petition Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2005, applicants respectfully Petition the Commissioner to accept the unintentionally delayed claim for priority in the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully submit that the delay in correcting the erroneous claim for priority in the above-identified application was unintentional. Due to a clerical error at the time of filing, the present application's grandparent application, U.S. Serial No. 09/256,621, was inadvertently omitted. The complete priority claim should read as follows:

This patent application is a divisional of application U.S. Serial No. 09/541,204, filed on April 3, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,812,189, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No 09/256,621, filed on February 23, 1999, now abandoned, which claims the benefit of application U.S. Serial No. 60/075,680, filed on February 24, 1998.

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No. 09/541,204, as indicated under the Related U.S. Application Data of U.S. Patent No. 6,812,189 (the front page of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A). Moreover, the present application's parent application, U.S. Serial No. 09/541,204, as well as the present application's great-grandparent application, U.S. Serial No. 60/075,680, were correctly identified in the filing of the present application. Accordingly, applicants respectfully submit that the present application is entitled to claim the priority of each of U.S. Serial No. 09/541,204, U.S. Serial No. 09/256,621, and U.S. Serial No. 60/075,680.

A Supplemental Application Data Sheet correctly identifying each application to which the present application claims priority, including the present application's grandparent application, is enclosed. An Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and a Petition for Extension of Time in response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2005, are also being filed concurrently herewith.

Applicants respectfully request that the present Petition be granted, and that the priority claim of the above-identified application to each of U.S. Serial No. 09/541,204, U.S. Serial No. 09/256,621, and U.S. Serial No. 60/075,680 be acknowledged.

Please charge Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP Deposit Account No. 08-0219 in the amount of \$1,370.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(t). The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

Respectfully submitted,

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